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CFDAP – AFSCME Council 61 President Danny Homan issued the following statement follow-
ing Judge Arthur Gamble’s ruling on the lawsuit chal-
lengeing the constitutionality of HF291 that was in front of the 5th Judicial District court in southcentral Iowa.

“Today we were notified that our request for sum-
mary judgment was overruled by Chief District Judge
Gamble of the Fifth Judicial District of Iowa.

“Chief Judge Gamble agreed that ‘AFSCME proved
disparate treatment of similarly situated individuals
under H.F. 291. Some unionized public employees are
granted privileges and immunities in the form of col-
collective bargaining rights that are not equally granted
to all unionized public employees.’ He did not feel that we
could provide the state for this unequal treatment by lawmakers.

“We are disappointed that this initial ruling in
our fight for collective bargaining justice was not in our
favor, we knew from the day we filed this lawsuit,
right after HF291 was signed, that this case would likely
end up in the Iowa Supreme Court. We are exploring
the next step in the legal process, including an appeal.
As proven by last week’s recertification victories, we’re
not going anywhere. We’re in this for the long haul and
look forward to the day that this unconstitutional law
is overturned for Iowa’s public employees.”

AFSCME president says union will continue lawsuit

BY PCC STAFF

Xavier Saints send FMHS home again

CECERADIPS - For the second year in a row the
Bloodhound volleyball season ended at substate at the
hands Cedar Rapids Xavier Monday night.

Fort Madison High School faced the Saints again on
their home court for a shot to get to the state volleyball
tournament, but FMHS couldn’t hang with the No. 1
team in the state and were sent home 18-25, 18-25,
16-25.

Fort Madison Head Coach Kent Bailey said the
Saints only converted one point during the run on a
kill by junior Emily Jasper. All seven of the other points
were a little timid. “You’ve got to give them credit, there’s a reason they are
the No. 1 ranked team in 4A. The difference was that
their hitters were willing to swing every time and ours
were a little timid.”

The Hounds started aggressively and held a slim 5-4
advantage in the first game when Kaeli Huston ended
a point with a kill, but the Saints put together one of their trademark
runs on the evening with a 7-2 stretch capped by a
kill from Xavier senior Ellie McDermott that made it
11-7. Hounds sophomore Jillian Wiseman ended the
run with a kill, but the Hounds couldn’t get closer than
4 with the Saints pushing the lead to as much as 7 at
24-17.

The second game saw the Hounds with a 4-2 lead to
open the contest, but the Saints slapped another run,
this time 8-0, on the Hounds. The two were tied at 5s
and the Saints’ Jaz Yamikoski served eight straight
points in the run that gave Xavier a 13-5 lead. But the
Saints only converted one point during the run on a
kill by junior Emily Jaoper. All seven of the other points

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

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OBITUARIES

BYRON ELLIS

Byron Ellis, 91, of Ft. Madison, passed away on October 26, 2017 at Great River Medical Center.

He was born on October 10, 1926 near Grand Forks, ND. He married Helen Johnson and she preceded him in death. He then married Carol Gram and they later divorced. Byron served in the US Army during WWII. Byron ran LCYS in Ft. Madison and then was the Executive Director of Methelman Meadows until his retirement. He was a past member of the Mason’s and enjoyed reading, art and history.

Survivors include four step children, Mary Jo Jones, Hans Johnson, John Gram and Lisa McKinney. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Per his wishes, his body has been donated to the University of Iowa Department of Anatomy for Scientific Research and King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory is in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

JUNIOR DEAN ROTTER

Junior Dean Rotter, 56, of rural West Point, IA, passed away on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at his home. He was born on June 19, 1961 in Fort Madison, IA to Gilbert & Ros-Ina Mitchell Rotter. He spent most of his life on the family farm with his dad and brother and enjoyed being around his animals.

Dean is survived by: 2-sisters: Judy Rotter of Keokuk, IA & Joyce Rotter of New London, IA; 1-brother: Lynn Rotter of West Point, IA and 5-nieces & nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory and no services are planned at this time. Online condolences to Dean’s family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

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For the Record

Fort Madison Police report

10/26/17 - 11:38 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Marc-Adek Dumas, 41, of Burlington, in the 1200 block of Avenue H, on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia and a warrant for failure to appear. He was released on his recognizance.

10/26/17 - 11:55 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1700 block of Avenue D.

10/26/17 - 12:41 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 800 block of Avenue F.

Lee County Sheriff’s report

10/26/17 - 9:04 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff’s deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident at Hwy 61 and Hwy 218. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Eric Eugene Fortune, Jr., 24 of Donnellson struck a semi-trailer driven by Pedro Jesus, Madrigal Navarro, 30 of Tucson, Ariz. No injuries or citations were reported.

10/26/17 - 12:06 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff’s deputies arrested Adam Keith Rickert, 22, of Quincy Ill., at the Adams County Jail and held.

10/26/17 - 12:30 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff’s deputies arrested Adam Keith Rickert, 22, of Quincy Ill., at the Adams County Jail on warrants for possession of methamphetamine less than 5 grams and a controlled substance violation. He remained in custody.

10/26/17 - 1:33 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff’s deputies arrested Rebecca Dawn Davis, 30, of Keokuk, at the Lee County Sheriff’s office on a warrant for contempt of court fine. She was cited and released.

10/26/17 - 4:25 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff’s deputies arrested Christen Mitchell Start, 20, of Keokuk, on a warrant for probation violation. He was taken to Lee County Jail and held.

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were on miscues by the Hounds, includ-
ing one set that fell to the floor between
three players.
Bailey said the Hounds weren’t able to
play their game with the heavy hitting of
Xavier.
“Our game plan was to come in heavy
with our middle hitters swinging and
then include our outside hitters when we
suck those big blockers into the middle,”
said. “When we were able to pass well
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**FMCH diabetes education program merits ADA recognition**

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – The Fort Madison Community Hospital (FMCH) diabetes self-management education program has been awarded continued Recognition from the American Diabetes Association (ADA). The program was originally recognized in January of 2001. This program offers high-quality education services to the patients it serves.

Self-management education is an essential component of diabetes treatment at FMCH. One consequence of compliance with the National Standards is the greater consistency in the quality and quantity of education offered to people with diabetes. The participant in the FMCH Diabetes Self-Management Education Program, an ADA Recognized program, will be taught, as needed, self-care skills that will promote better management of his or her diabetes treatment regimen. All approved education programs cover the following topics as needed: diabetes disease process; nutritional management; physical activity; medications; monitoring; preventing, detecting, and treating acute complications; risk reduction; goal setting and problem solving; psychological adjustment; and preconception care, management during pregnancy, and gestational management.

Unnecessary hospital admissions and some of the acute and chronic complications of diabetes may be prevented through self-management education.

“We feel strongly this endorsement by the ADA is an important part of our program. Our patients with diabetes can trust the education and support they receive from our team at FMCH is of the highest quality using proven information and techniques. Our goal is to help our patients live healthy, active, independent lives with this diagnosis,” explained Cathy Mehmert, Certified Diabetes Educator.

The ADA Education Recognition effort, begun in the fall of 1986, is a voluntary process which assures that approved education programs have met the National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education Programs. Programs that achieve Recognition status have a staff of knowledgeable health professionals who can provide state-of-the-art information about diabetes management for participants. The American Diabetes Association is the nation’s leading non-profit health organization supporting diabetes research, advocacy and information for health professionals, patients and the public.

For more information on the FMCH Diabetes Self-Management Education Program, contact Cathy Mehmert, RD, LD, CDE at Fort Madison Community Hospital, 319-376-2230.